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**Attn: Mail Stop Amendment**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
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For: **Hydraulic Valve Equipment of Working Vehicle**  
Inventor: Mizuya MATSU FUJI  
Our Ref: 0666.2980000/TGD/CMR

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action is the following document:

1. Supplemental Preliminary Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115.

The above-listed documents are filed electronically through EFS-Web.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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In advance of prosecution, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No.

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